

### HOUSING AUTHORITY of the County of Los Angeles

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June 15, 2010

The Honorable Board of Commissioners Housing Authority of the County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Commissioners:

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BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS HOUSING AUTHORITY

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JUNE 15, 2010

SACHI A. HAMAI EXECUTIVE OFFICER

CONTRACT WITH RINCON CONSULTANTS, INC. FOR ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTING SERVICES FOR HOUSING AUTHORITY PROJECTS (ALL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)

#### **SUBJECT**

This letter recommends approval of a one-year Contract, in the amount of \$500,000, with Rincon Consultants, Inc., to provide environmental consulting services to the Housing Authority on a project-by-project basis. The Contract may be extended for two additional years, in one-year increments, at \$500,000 per year.

#### IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

- 1. Approve and authorize the Executive Director to execute and, if necessary, terminate a one-year Contract with Rincon Consultants, Inc. (Rincon) to provide environmental services for the implementation of Countywide housing development projects, using up to \$500,000 included in the Housing Authority's approved Fiscal Year 2010-2011 budget.
- 2. Authorize the Executive Director to execute two one-year extensions to the Contract, at the same annual amount of up to \$500,000, contingent upon continued Housing Authority funding and satisfactory performance, effective following approval as to form by County Counsel.
- 3. Authorize the Executive Director to increase the compensation amount by up to \$50,000 each year for unforeseen costs, using the same source of funds; and authorize the Executive Director to make administrative changes to the Contract as necessary to meet the requirements of Housing Authority programs and to execute any necessary further amendments to the Contract to revise the scope of services, following approval as to form by County Counsel and execution by all parties.

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4. Find that approval of the Contract is not subject to the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) because the action will not have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment.

#### PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Rincon will provide environmental services and prepare documents as required by the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), CEQA, and HUD environmental regulations as specified in 24 Code of Federal Regulations Part 58.

#### FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There is no impact on the County general fund. The Contract will be funded with \$500,000 in funds in the Housing Authority's approved budget. It may be renewed for a maximum of two years, in one-year increments, at the same rate of compensation, contingent upon satisfactory performance and continued Housing Authority funding from HUD. Funds for years two and three of the Contract, if extended, will be included in the Housing Authority's approved budget through the annual budget process.

A contingency in the amount of \$50,000 per year is also being set aside for unforeseen project costs, using funds in the Housing Authority's budget.

#### FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The Housing Authority administers 3,336 rental units located on 70 sites funded through federal and state programs. As a recipient of federal funds, the Housing Authority is responsible for preparing environmental documents for activities that fall under NEPA and HUD regulations. Services to be provided under the Contract include technical assistance and the preparation of the following documents: Notices of Exemption, Initial Studies, Negative Declarations, Notices of Determination, Categorical Exclusions, Environmental Assessments, Amended Environmental Assessments, Phase I Environmental Site Assessments, Historic Sensitivity Analyses, Area of Potential Effect Surveys, Cultural Resources Surveys, Slum Blight Reviews, Environmental Impact Statements, Environmental Impact Reports, and other documents as necessary. Rincon will be assigned projects and will receive compensation based on the scope of services performed on a project-by-project basis.

Should Rincon require additional or replacement of personnel after the effective date of this Contract, Rincon shall give consideration for any such employment openings to participants in the County's Department of Public Social Services' Greater Avenues for Independence (GAIN) Program or General Relief Opportunity for Work (GROW) Program who meet the Operating Agency's minimum qualifications for the open position.

On June 23, 2010, the Housing Commission will consider this item for concurrent approval with your Board.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

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This action is exempt from the provisions of NEPA pursuant to 24 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 58, Section 58.34 (a)(3) because it involves administrative activities that will not have a physical impact or result in any physical changes to the environment. This action is also not subject to the provisions of CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines 15060(c)(3) and 15378, because it is not defined as a project under CEQA and does not have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment.

#### **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

On March 22, 2010, the Community Development Commission and Housing Authority issued a joint Request for Proposals (RFP) to identify a firm to prepare environmental documents for a one-year period. A total of 161 environmental firms included on the Housing Authority's vendor list received announcements. A total of 104 firms downloaded proposal packages in response to the announcement mailing, advertisements that appeared in the various newspapers, and the County Office of Small Business Website (WebVen). By the deadline of April 23, 2010, one firm submitted a proposal. The proposal was evaluated, and based on the RFP requirements and the rating process, Rincon was selected as the firm most qualified to provide environmental consulting services.

The Summary of Outreach Activities is provided in Attachment A.

#### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

This Contract will ensure that the County complies with applicable federal and state environmental rules and regulations.

Respectfully submitted,

SEAN ROGAN

**Executive Director** 

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**Enclosures** 

#### Attachment A

#### Summary of Outreach Activities

On March 22, 2010, the following outreach was initiated to identify a consultant to provide environmental document preparation services for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, the HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program, other programs funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), and locally-funded programs.

#### A. Request for Proposal Advertising

A Request for Proposals (RFP) announcement appeared in the following newspapers:

Los Angeles Times

Long Beach Press Telegram

La Opinion

Los Angeles Daily News
International Daily News

Los Angeles Sentinel

Los Angeles Sentinel

Los Angeles Sun

Antelope Valley Press

Eastside Journal

Southwest Wave

Montebello News

Downey American Herald

Lynwood Press Wave

Huntington Park Bulletin

The announcement was also posted on the County Office of Small Business website.

#### B. Distribution of the Proposal Packets

The Housing Authority's vendor list was used to mail the RFP to 161 firms. Of the firms on the vendor list, 73 met the definition of a minority- or female-owned business (private firms which are 51 percent minority or female-owned, or publicly-owned businesses in which 51 percent of the stock is owned by minorities or women). One hundred four firms downloaded the RFP from the Housing Authority's website.

#### C. Proposal Results

By the deadline of April 23, 2010, a proposal was received from one firm. The proposal was evaluated, and based on the RFP requirements and rating process, Rincon Consultants, Inc. was selected as the firm most qualified to prepare environmental documentation for the Housing Authority.

#### D. Minority/Women Participation – Selected Firm and Subcontractors

Firm Name	Ownership	<b>Employees</b>	
Rincon Consultants, Inc.	Non-Minority	57 3 23 5% 40%	Total Minority Female Minority Female

The Housing Authority encourages the participation of minorities and women in the Contract award process including: providing information about the Housing Authority at local and national conferences; conducting seminars for minorities and women regarding the Housing Authority's programs and services; advertising in newspapers to invite placement on the vendor list; and mailing information to associations which represent minorities and women. The above information has been voluntarily provided by the above firm.

The recommendation to award the Contract for Environmental Services to Rincon Consultants, Inc. is being made in accordance with federal regulations, and without regard to race, creed, color, gender or sexual orientation.

### CONTRACT FOR ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTING SERVICES

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betwee	n the Hou	sing Au	uthori	ty of the	Count	y of Los	Ange	les, hereinaf	ter referre	ed to	as
"Housir	ng Author	rity", a	and	Rincon	Consu	ıltants,	Inc.,	hereinafter	referred	to	as
"Contra	ctor."										

#### **RECITAL**

#### 1. PURPOSE

The Contractor is in the business of providing needed environmental consulting services. On April 23, 2010, in response to the joint Community Development Commission/Housing Authority's Request for Proposal, Contractor submitted a bid to furnish the hereinafter-described environmental consulting services to the Housing Authority.

#### **TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

#### 2. TERM

This Contract shall commence on July 1, 2010, and shall remain in full force and effect for 12 months until June 30, 2011, unless sooner terminated as provided herein. This Contract may be extended in one-year increments, for a total of three (3) additional years at the sole discretion of the Housing Authority.

#### 3. CONTRACTOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES

The Contractor agrees to perform in a good workmanlike manner, to the satisfaction of the Housing Authority's Executive Director, all the work described in the attached Statement of Work, Attachment A.

#### 4. COMPENSATION

The Contractor shall submit to the Housing Authority on the 5th day of each month an invoice on a form approved by the Housing Authority for services rendered, as described in Attachment A, Statement of Work. Upon receipt and approval, the Housing Authority will pay the Contractor within thirty (30) days of receipt and approval of the invoice in accordance with Attachment B, Fee Schedule. The yearly amount of compensation under this Contract shall not exceed Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000), and the total amount of compensation under this Contract will not exceed One Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,500,000), which shall include all related expenses.

The Contractor shall be paid in accordance with the Housing Authority's standard accounts payable system. The Contractor is encouraged to accept payment by direct deposit.

The Contractor shall have no claim against the Housing Authority for payment of any money or reimbursement, of any kind whatsoever, for any service provided by the Contractor after the expiration or other termination of this Contract. Should the Contractor receive any such payment, it shall immediately notify the Housing Authority and shall immediately repay all such funds to the Housing Authority. Payment by the Housing Authority for services rendered after expiration or termination of this Contract shall not constitute a waiver of the Housing Authority's right to recover such payment from Contractor. This provision shall survive the expiration or other termination of this Contract.

#### 5. SOURCE AND APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS

The Housing Authority's obligation is payable only and solely from funds appropriated through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and, for the purpose of this Contract. All funds are appropriated every fiscal year beginning July 1.

In the event this Contract extends into succeeding fiscal years and funds have not been appropriated, this Contract will automatically terminate as of June 30 of the current fiscal year. The Housing Authority will endeavor to notify the Contractor in writing within ten (10) days of receipt of non-appropriation notice.

#### 6. TERMINATION FOR IMPROPER CONSIDERATION

The Housing Authority may, by written notice to the Contractor, immediately terminate the right of the Contractor to proceed under this Contract, if it is found that consideration, in any form, was offered or given by Contractor, either directly or through an intermediary, to any County office, employee or agent with the intent of securing this Contract or securing favorable treatment with respect to the award, amendment or extension of this Contract of the making of any determinations with respect to the Contractor's performance pursuant to this Contract. In the event of such termination, the Housing Authority shall be entitled to pursue the same remedies against the Contractor as it could pursue in the event of default by the Contractor.

The Contractor shall immediately report any attempt by a Housing Authority officer or employee to solicit such improper consideration. The report shall be made either to the Housing Authority's Executive Director or to the County Auditor-Controller's Employee Fraud Hotline at (800) 544-6861.

Among other items, such improper consideration may take the form of cash, discounts, service, the provision of travel or entertainment, or tangible gifts.

#### 7. ASSIGNMENT BY CONTRACTOR

The Contractor shall not assign its rights or delegate its duties under the Contract, or both, whether in whole or in part, without the prior written consent of the Housing Authority, in its discretion, and any attempted assignment or delegation without such consent shall be null and void. For purposes of this paragraph, Housing Authority consent shall require a written amendment to the Contract, which is formally approved and executed by the parties. Any payments by the Housing Authority to any approved delegate or assignee on any claim under the Contract shall be deductible, at the Housing Authority's sole discretion, against the claims, which the Contractor may have against the Housing Authority. However, the Housing Authority reserves the right to assign this Contract to another public agency without the consent of the Contractor.

Shareholders, partners, members, or other equity holders of the Contractor may transfer, sell, exchange, assign, or divest themselves of any interest they may have therein. However, in the event any such sale, transfer, exchange, assignment, or divestment is affected in such a way as to give majority control of the Contractor to any person(s), corporation, partnership, or legal entity other than the majority controlling interest therein at the time of execution of the Contract, such disposition is an assignment requiring the prior written consent of the Housing Authority in accordance with applicable provisions of this Contract.

Any assumption, assignment, delegation, or takeover of any of the Contractor's duties, responsibilities, obligations, or performance of same by any entity other than the Contractor, whether through assignment, subcontract, delegation, merger, buyout, or any other mechanism, with or without consideration for any reason whatsoever without the Housing Authority's express prior written approval, shall be a material breach of the Contract which may result in the termination of the Contract. In the event of such termination, the Housing Authority shall be entitled to pursue the same remedies against the Contractor as it could pursue in the event of default by the Contractor.

#### 8. CONFIDENTIALITY OF REPORTS

The Contractor shall keep confidential all reports, information and data received, prepared or assembled pursuant to performance hereunder. Such information shall not be made available to any person, firm, corporation or entity without the prior written consent of the Housing Authority.

#### 9. SUBCONTRACTING

The Contractor may subcontract only those specific portions of work allowed in the original specifications covered by this Contract with prior written approval by the Housing Authority.

The Contractor shall not subcontract any part of the work covered by this Contract or permit subcontracted work to be further subcontracted without prior written approval by the Housing Authority.

#### 10. INSURANCE

Without limiting Contractor's indemnifications provided in this Contract, Contractor shall procure and maintain, at Contractor's sole expense for the duration of this Contract, the insurance policies described herein. Such insurance shall be secured from carriers admitted in California, or authorized to do business in California. Such carriers shall be in good standing with the California Secretary of State's Office and the California Department of Insurance. Such carriers must be approved by the California Department of Insurance and must be included on the California Department of Insurance List of Eligible Surplus Line Insurers (hereinafter "LESLI"). Such carriers must have a minimum rating of or equivalent to A:VIII in Best's Insurance Guide. Contractor shall, concurrent with the execution of this Contract, deliver to the Housing Authority certificates of insurance with original endorsements evidencing the insurance coverage required by this Contract. endorsements are not immediately available, such endorsements may be delivered subsequent to the execution of this Contract, but no later than thirty (30) days following execution of this Contract. The certificates and endorsements shall be signed by a person authorized by the insurers to bind coverage on its behalf. The Housing Authority reserves the right to require complete certified copies of all policies at any time. Said insurance shall be in a form acceptable to the Housing Authority and may provide for such deductibles as may be acceptable to the Housing Authority. Any self-insurance program and self-insured retention must be separately approved by the Housing Authority. In the event such insurance does provide for deductibles or self-insurance, Contractor agrees that it will defend, indemnify and hold harmless the Community Development Housing Authority of the County of Los Angeles (Housing Authority), The Housing Authority of the County of Los Angeles (Housing Authority), the County of Los Angeles (County), and its elected and appointed officers, officials, representatives, employees, and agents in the same manner as they would have been defended, indemnified and held harmless if full coverage under any applicable policy had been in effect. Each such certificate shall stipulate that the Housing Authority be given at least thirty (30) days' written notice in advance of any cancellation or any reduction in limit(s) for any policy of insurance required herein. Contractor shall give the Housing Authority immediate notice of any insurance claim or loss which may be covered by insurance. Contractor represents and warrants that the insurance coverage required herein will also be provided by any entities with which Contractor contracts, as detailed below. All certificates of insurance and additional insured endorsements shall carry the following identifier:

(Name of Contractor)	

The insurance policies set forth herein shall be primary insurance with respect to the Housing Authority. The insurance policies shall contain a waiver of subrogation for the benefit of the Housing Authority. Failure on the part of Contractor, and/or any entities with which Contractor contracts, to procure or maintain the insurance coverage required herein may, upon the Housing Authority's sole discretion, constitute a material breach of this Contract pursuant to which the Housing Authority may immediately terminate this Contract and exercise all other rights and remedies set forth herein, at its sole and absolute discretion, and without waiving such default or limiting the rights or remedies of the Housing Authority, procure or renew such insurance and pay any and all premiums in connection therewith and all monies so paid by the Housing Authority shall be immediately repaid by the Contractor to the Housing Authority upon demand including interest thereon at the default rate. In the event of such a breach, the Housing Authority shall have the right, at its sole election, to participate in and control any insurance claim, adjustment, or dispute with the insurance carrier. Contractor's failure to assert or delay in asserting any claim shall not diminish or impair the Housing Authority's rights against the Contractor or the insurance carrier.

When Contractor is naming the Housing Authority as an additional insured on any of the insurance policies set forth herein, then the additional insured endorsement shall contain language similar to the language contained in ISO form CG 20 10 10 01. When any entity with which Contractor is contracting, is naming the Housing Authority as an additional insured on any of the insurance policies set forth herein, then the additional insured endorsement shall contain language similar to the language contained in ISO form CG 20 10 11 85.

The following insurance policies shall be maintained by Contractor and any entity with which Contractor contracts for the duration of this Contract, unless otherwise set forth herein:

A. GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE (written on ISO policy form CG 00 01 or its equivalent) with limits of not less than the following:

General Aggregate	\$2,000,000
Products/Completed Operations Aggregate	\$1,000,000
Personal and Advertising Injury	\$1,000,000
Each Occurrence	\$1,000,000

The Community Development Housing Authority of the County of Los Angeles (Housing Authority), the Housing Authority of the County of Los Angeles (Housing Authority), the County of Los Angeles (County), and each of their elected and appointed officers, officials, representatives, employees, and agents, shall be named as additional insureds on such policy.

- B. AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY INSURANCE (written on ISO policy form CA 00 01 or its equivalent) with a limit of liability of not less than \$1 million for each incident. Such insurance shall include coverage of all "owned", "hired" and "non-owned" vehicles, or coverage for "any auto".
- C. WORKERS' COMPENSATION and EMPLOYER'S LIABILITY insurance providing worker's compensation benefits, as required by the Labor Code of the State of California.

In all cases, the above insurance also shall include Employer's Liability coverage with limits of not less than the following:

Each Accident	\$1,000,000
Disease-policy limit	\$1,000,000
Disease-each employee	\$1,000,000

- D. PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY INSURANCE including coverage for personal injury, death, property damage, and contractual liability in an amount not less than One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) general aggregate. Said insurance shall be maintained for the statutory period during which the professional maybe exposed to liability. Contractor shall require that the aforementioned professional liability insurance coverage language be incorporated into its contract with any other entity with which it contracts for professional services.
- E. POLLUTION LIABILITY INSURANCE including coverage for bodily injury, property damages, and environmental damage with limits of not less than the following:

General Aggregate	\$2,000,000
Completed Operations	\$1,000,000
Each Occurrence	\$1,000,000

Said policy shall also include, but not be limited to: coverage for any and all remediation costs, including, but not limited to, restoration costs, and coverage for the removal, repair, handling, and disposal of asbestos and/or lead containing materials. The Housing Authority, Housing Authority of the County of Los Angeles, the County of Los Angeles, and each of their elected and appointed officers, officials, representatives, employees, and agents shall be covered as additional insureds on the pollution liability insurance policy. If the general liability insurance policy and/or the pollution liability insurance policy is written on a claims-made form, then said policy or policies shall also comply with all of the following requirements:

(i) The retroactive date must be shown on the policy and must be before the date of this Contract or the beginning of the work or services provided hereunder:

- (ii) Insurance must be maintained and evidence of insurance must be provided for the duration of this Contract or for five (5) years after completion of the work or services provided hereunder, whichever is greater;
- (iii) If coverage is canceled or non-renewed, and not replaced with another claims-made policy form with a retroactive date prior to the effective date of this Contract, then the contractor must purchase an extended period coverage for a minimum of five (5) years after completion of the work or services provided hereunder;
- (iv) A copy of the claims reporting requirements must be submitted to the Housing Authority for review; and
- (v) If the work or services provided hereunder involves lead based paint or asbestos identification/remediation, then the Contractors Pollution Liability shall not contain any lead-based paint or asbestos exclusions.

#### 11. INDEMNIFICATION

The Contractor shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Housing Authority, Housing Authority, County, and each of their elected and appointed officers, officials, representatives, employees, and agents from and against any and all liability, demands, damages, claims, causes of action, expenses, and fees (including reasonable attorney's fees and costs and expert witness fees), including, but not limited to, claims for bodily injury, property damage, and death (hereinafter collectively referred to as "Liabilities"), that arise out of, pertain to, or relate to Contractor's acts, errors, or omissions arising from, pertaining to, or relating to this Contract except to the extent caused by the sole negligence or willful misconduct of Housing Authority, Housing Authority, or County. This indemnification provision shall remain in full force and effect and survive the termination and/or expiration of this Contract. Contractor agrees to require any and all entities with which it contracts to agree to and abide by the above mentioned indemnification requirements in favor of the Housing Authority, Housing Authority, and County, as applicable to each of them.

#### 12. HOUSING AUTHORITY'S QUALITY ASSURANCE PLAN

The Housing Authority will evaluate Contractor's performance under this Contract on not less than an annual basis. Such evaluation will include assessing Contractor's compliance with all contract terms and performance standards. Contractor deficiencies, which Housing Authority determines are severe or continuing and that may place performance of the Contract in jeopardy, if not corrected, will be reported to the Board of Housing Authorityers. The report will include improvement/corrective action measures taken by the Housing Authority and Contractor. If improvement does not occur consistent with the corrective measure, the Housing Authority may terminate this

Contract, pursuant to Paragraph 13 or 14, or impose other remedies as specified in this Contract.

A performance review will be conducted no later than ninety (90) days prior to the end of the first and second years of this Contract to evaluate the performance of the Contractor. Based on the assessment of the performance review, as determined by the Housing Authority in its sole discretion, written notification will be given to the Contractor whether this Contract will be terminated at the end of the current year or will be continued into the next contract year.

#### 13. TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE

The Housing Authority reserves the right to cancel this Contract for any reason at all upon thirty (30) days prior written notice to Contractor. In the event of such termination, Contractor shall be entitled to a prorated portion paid for all satisfactory work unless such termination is made for cause, in which event, compensation if any, shall be adjusted in such termination.

#### 14. TERMINATION FOR CAUSE

This Contract may be terminated by the Housing Authority upon written notice to the Contractor for just cause (failure to perform satisfactorily) with no penalties incurred by the Housing Authority upon termination or upon the occurrence of any of the following events in A, B, C or D:

- A. Should the Contractor fail to perform all or any portion of the work required to be performed hereunder in a timely and good workmanlike manner or properly carry out the provisions of this Contract in their true intent and meaning, then in such case, notice thereof in writing will be served upon the Contractor, and should the Contractor neglect or refuse to provide a means for satisfactory compliance with this Contract and with the direction of the Housing Authority within the time specified in such notice, the Housing Authority shall have the power to suspend or terminate the operations of the Contractor in whole or in part.
- B. Should the Contractor fail within five (5) days to perform in a satisfactory manner, in accordance with the provisions of this Contract, or if the work to be done under this Contract is abandoned for more than three days by the Contractor, then notice of deficiency thereof in writing will be served upon Contractor by the Housing Authority. Should the Contractor fail to comply with the terms of this Contract within five (5) days, upon receipt of said written notice of deficiency, the Executive Director of Housing Authority shall have the power to suspend or terminate the operations of the Contractor in whole or in part.
- C. In the event that a petition of bankruptcy shall be filed by or against the Contractor.

D. If, through any cause, the Contractor shall fail to fulfill, in a timely and proper manner, the obligations under this Contract, or if the Contractor shall violate any of the covenants, Contracts, or stipulations of this Contract, the Housing Authority shall thereupon have the right to terminate this Contract by giving written notice to the Contractor of such termination and specifying the effective date thereof, at least five days before the effective date of such termination. In such event, all finished or unfinished documents, data, studies, surveys, drawings, maps, models, photographs and reports prepared by the Contractor under this Contract shall, at the option of the Housing Authority become its property and the Contractor shall be entitled to receive just and equitable compensation for any work satisfactorily completed.

## 15. <u>CONTRACTOR'S WARRANTY OF ADHERENCE TO HOUSING AUTHORITY'S</u> <u>CHILD SUPPORT COMPLIANCE PROGRAM</u>

The Contractor acknowledges that the Housing Authority has established a goal of ensuring that all individuals who benefit financially from the Housing Authority through a contract, are in compliance with their court-ordered child, family, and spousal support obligations in order to mitigate the economic burden otherwise imposed upon the taxpayers of the County of Los Angeles.

As required by Housing Authority Child Support Compliance Program and without limiting Contractor's duty under this Contract to comply with all applicable provisions of law, Contractor warrants that it is now in compliance and shall, during the term of this Contract, maintain compliance with employment and wage reporting requirements as required by the Federal Social Security Act (42 USC Section 653a) and California Unemployment Insurance Code Section 1088.5, and shall implement all lawfully served Wage and Earnings Withholding Orders or CSSD Notices of Wage and Earnings Assignment for Child or Spousal Support, pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure Section 706.031 and Family Code Section 5246(b).

## 16. <u>TERMINATION FOR BREACH OF WARRANTY TO COMPLY WITH HOUSING AUTHORITY'S CHILD SUPPORT COMPLIANCE PROGRAM</u>

Failure of the Contractor to maintain compliance with the requirements set forth in Paragraph 15, "CONTRACTOR'S WARRANTY OF ADHERENCE TO Housing Authority's CHILD SUPPORT COMPLIANCE PROGRAM' shall constitute default under this contract. Without limiting the rights and remedies available to Housing Authority under any other provision of this contract, failure of Contractor to cure such default within 90 calendar days of written notice shall be grounds upon which Housing Authority may terminate this contract pursuant to Paragraph 14 - "TERMINATION FOR CAUSE" and pursue debarment of Contractor, pursuant to Housing Authority Policy.

#### 17. POST MOST WANTED DELINQUENT PARENTS LIST

The Contractor acknowledges that the County places a high priority on the enforcement of child support laws and the apprehension of child support evaders. The Contractor understands that it is County's and Housing Authority's policy to strongly encourage all Contractors to voluntarily post an entitled "L.A.'s Most Wanted: Delinquent Parents" poster in a prominent position at Contractor's place of business. The Child Support Services Department (CSSD) will supply Contractor with the poster to be used.

#### 18. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

This Contract does not, is not intended to, nor shall it be construed to create the relationship of agent, employee or joint venture between the Housing Authority and the Contractor.

#### 19. EMPLOYEES OF CONTRACTOR

Workers' Compensation: The Contractor understands and agrees that all persons furnishing services to the Housing Authority pursuant to this Contract are, for the purposes of Workers' Compensation liability, employees solely of the Contractor. Contractor shall bear sole responsibility and liability for providing Workers' Compensation benefits to any person for injuries arising from an accident connected with services provided to the Housing Authority under this Contract.

Professional Conduct: The Housing Authority does not and will not condone any acts, gestures, comments or conduct from the Contractor's employees, agents or subContractors which may be construed as sexual harassment or any other type of activities or behavior that might be construed as harassment. The Housing Authority will properly investigate all charges of harassment by residents, employees or agents of the Housing Authority against any and all Contractor's employees, agents or subContractors providing services for the Housing Authority. The Contractor assumes all liability for the actions of the Contractor's employees, agents or subContractors and is responsible for taking appropriate action after reports of harassment are received by the Contractor.

#### 20. DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE ACT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

The Contractor certifies under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the Contractor will comply with the requirements of the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1990.

#### 21. SAFETY STANDARDS AND ACCIDENT PREVENTION

The Contractor shall comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws governing safety, health and sanitation. The Contractor shall provide all safeguards, safety devices and protective equipment and take any other needed actions, as its own responsibility, reasonably necessary to protect the life and health of employees on the

job and the safety of the public and to protect property in connection with the performance of this Contract.

#### 22. COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS

The Contractor agrees to be bound by all applicable federal, state and local laws, regulations, and directives as they pertain to the performance of this Contract, including but not limited to, the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended by the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act, 1990, and the 24 CFR Part 85, and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. If the compensation under this Contract is in excess of \$100,000 then Contractor shall comply with applicable standards, orders, or requirements issued under section 306 of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 18579h), section 508 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1368), Executive Order 11738, and Environmental Protection Agency Regulations (40 CFR part 15).

The Contractor must obtain and present all relevant state and local insurance, training and licensing pursuant to services required within this Contract.

The Contractor shall comply with the following laws in Sections 23-32, inclusive, and 41-46, inclusive.

## 23. <u>CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964, TITLE VI (NON-DISCRIMINATION IN FEDERALLY-ASSISTED PROGRAMS)</u>

The Contractor shall comply with the Civil Rights Act of 1964 Title VI which provides that no person shall, on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance.

## 24. <u>SECTION 109 OF THE HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACT OF</u> 1974

The Contractor shall comply with Section 109 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 which states that no person in the United States shall, on the grounds of race, color, national origin, or sex be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity funded in whole or in part with funds made available under this title.

## 25. <u>AGE DISCRIMINATION ACT OF 1975 AND SECTION 504 OF THE REHABILITATION ACT OF 1973</u>

The Contractor shall comply with the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, which require that no person in the United States shall be excluded from participating in, denied the benefits of, or subject to discrimination under this Contract on the basis of age or with respect to an otherwise qualified disabled individual.

## 26. EXECUTIVE ORDER 11246 AND 11375, EQUAL OPPORTUNITY IN EMPLOYMENT (NON-DISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT BY GOVERNMENT CONTRACTORS) AND SUBCONTRACTORS)

The Contractor shall comply with Executive Order 11246 and 11375, Equal Opportunity in Employment, which requires that during the performance of this Contract, the Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex or national origin. The Contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated fairly during employment, without regard to their race, color, religion, sex or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the contracting officer setting forth the provisions of the non-discrimination clause.

The Contractor will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex or national origin.

The Contractor will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which he has a collective bargaining Contract or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided by the agency of the Contractor's commitments under Section 202 of Executive Order No. 11246 of September 24, 1965, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment. The Contractor will comply with all provisions of Executive Order No. 11246 of September 24, 1965, and of the rules, regulations and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.

The Contractor will furnish all information and reports required by the Executive Order and by the rules, regulations and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to its books, records, and accounts by the Housing Authority and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations and orders.

In the event of Contractor's noncompliance with the non-discrimination clauses of this Contract or with any of such rules, regulations or orders, this Contract may be canceled, terminated or suspended in whole or in part and the Contractor may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in the Executive Orders and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in the Executive Order or by rule, regulation or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.

The Contractor will include the provisions of these paragraphs in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to Section 204 of the Executive Order No. 11246 of September 24, 1965, that such provisions will be binding upon each subContractor or vendor. The Contractor will take such actions with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the Housing Authority may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance, provided however, that in the event the Contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with litigation by a subContractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the Housing Authority, the Contractor may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

## 27. <u>GREATER AVENUES FOR INDEPENDENCE (GAIN) PROGRAM AND GENERAL RELIEF OPPORTUNITY FOR WORK (GROW) PROGRAM</u>

- A. Should the Contractor require additional or replacement personnel after the effective date of this Contract, the Contractor shall give consideration for any such employment openings to participants in the County's Department of Public Social Services' Greater Avenues for Independence (GAIN) Program or General Relief Opportunity for Work (GROW) Program who meet the Contractor's minimum qualifications for the open position. For this purpose, consideration shall mean that the Contractor will interview qualified candidates. The County will refer GAIN/GROW participants by job category to the Contractor.
- B. In the event that both laid-off County Employees and GAIN/GROW participants are available for hiring, County employees shall be given first priority.

#### 28. FEDERAL LOBBYIST REQUIREMENTS

The Contractor is prohibited by the Department of Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, known as the Byrd Amendments, and HUD's 24 CFR Part 87, from using federally appropriated funds for the purpose of influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, loan or cooperative Contract, and any extension, continuation, renewal, amendment or modification of said documents.

The Contractor must certify in writing on the Federal Lobbyist Requirements Certification form that they are familiar with the Federal Lobbyist Requirements and that all persons and/or subContractors acting on behalf of the Contractor will comply with the Lobbyist Requirements.

Failure on the part of the Contractor or persons/subContractors acting on behalf of the Contractor to fully comply with the Federal Lobbyist Requirements may be subject to civil penalties.

## 29. <u>NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES REGARDING THE FEDERAL EARNED INCOME</u> <u>CREDIT</u>

The Contractor shall notify its employees, and shall require each subContractor to notify its employees, that they may be eligible for the Federal Earned Income Credit under the federal income tax laws. Such notice shall be provided in accordance with the requirements set forth in Internal Revenue Service Notice 1015.

#### 30. USE OF RECYCLED-CONTENT PAPER PRODUCTS

Consistent with the Board of Supervisors' policy to reduce the amount of solid waste deposited at the County landfills, the Contractor agrees to use recycled-content paper to the maximum extent possible on the Project.

#### 31. CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITY AND DEBARMENT

- A. A responsible Contractor is a Contractor, Contractor, vendor, or operating agency who has demonstrated the attribute of trustworthiness, as well as quality, fitness, capacity and experience to satisfactorily perform the contract. It is the policy of the Housing Authority, Housing Authority, and County to conduct business only with responsible Contractors.
- B. The Contractor is hereby notified that if the Housing Authority acquires information concerning the performance of the Contractor on this or other contracts which indicates that the Contractor is not responsible, the Housing Authority may, in addition to other remedies provided in the contract, debar the Contractor from bidding or proposing on, or being awarded, and/or performing work on Housing Authority contracts for a specified period of time, which generally will not to exceed five years but may exceed five years or be permanent if warranted by circumstances, and terminate any or all existing contracts the Contractor may have with the Housing Authority.
- C. The Housing Authority may debar a Contractor, Contractor, vendor or operating agency if the Board of Housing Authorityers finds, in its discretion, that the Contractor, Contractor, vendor, or operating agency has done any of the following: (1) violated any term of a contract with the Housing Authority, Housing Authority, or County, or a nonprofit corporation created by the Housing Authority, Housing Authority, or County (2) committed any act or omission which negatively reflects on the its quality, fitness or capacity to perform a contract with the Housing Authority, Housing Authority, or County or any other public entity, or a nonprofit corporation created by the Housing Authority, Housing Authority, or County, or engaged in a pattern or practice which negatively reflects on same, (3) committed an act or offense which indicates a lack of business integrity or business honesty, or (4) made or submitted a false claim against the Housing Authority, Housing Authority, County, or any other public entity.

- D. If there is evidence that the Contractor may be subject to debarment, the Housing Authority will notify the Contractor in writing of the evidence, which is the basis for the proposed debarment and will advise the Contractor of the scheduled date for a debarment hearing before the Contractor Hearing Board.
- E. The Contractor Hearing Board will conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed debarment is presented. The Contractor and/or the Contractor's representative shall be given an opportunity to submit evidence at that hearing. After the hearing, the Contractor Hearing Board shall prepare a tentative proposed decision, which shall contain a recommendation regarding whether the Contractor should be debarred, and, if so, the appropriate length of time of the debarment. The Contractor and the Housing Authority shall be provided an opportunity to object to the tentative proposed decision prior to its presentation to the Board of Housing Authorityers.
- F. After consideration of any objections, or if no objections are submitted, a record of the hearing, the proposed decision and any other recommendation of the Contract Hearing Board shall be presented to the Board of Housing Authorityers. The Board of Housing Authorityers shall have the right to modify, deny or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Hearing Board.
- G. If a Contractor has been debarred for a period longer than five years, that Contractor may, after the debarment has been in effect for at least five years, submit a written request for review of the debarment determination to reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment. The Housing Authority may, in its discretion, reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment if it finds that the Contractor has adequately demonstrated one or more of the following: (1) elimination of the grounds for which the debarment was imposed; (2) a bona fide change in ownership or management; (3) material evidence discovered after debarment was imposed; or (4) any other reason that is in the best interests of the Housing Authority.
- H. The Contractor Hearing Board will consider a request for review of the debarment determination only where (1) the Contractor has been debarred for a period longer than five years; (2) the debarment has been in effect for at least five years; and (3) the request is in writing, states one or more of the ground for reduction of the debarment period or termination of the debarment, and includes supporting documentation. Upon receiving an appropriate request, the Contractor Hearing Board will provide notice of the hearing on the request. At the hearing, the Contractor Hearing Board shall conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed reduction of debarment period or termination of debarment is presented. This hearing shall be conducted and the request for review decided by the Contractor Hearing Board pursuant to the same procedures as for a debarment Hearing.

The Contractor Hearing Board's proposed decision shall contain a recommendation on the request to reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment. The Contractor Hearing Board shall present its proposed decision and recommendation to the Board of Housing Authorityers. The Board of Housing Authorityers shall have the right to modify, deny or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board.

I. These terms shall also apply to subContractors and subContractors of County, Housing Authority, or Housing Authority Contractors, Contractors, vendors and operating agencies.

#### 32. COMPLIANCE WITH JURY SERVICE PROGRAM

- A. Unless the Contractor has demonstrated to the Housing Authority satisfaction either that Contractor is not a "Contractor" as defined under the Jury Service Program or that Contractor qualifies for an exception to the Jury Service Program, Contractor shall have and adhere to a written policy that provides that its Employees shall receive from the Contractor, on an annual basis, no less than five days of regular pay for actual jury service. The policy may provide that Employees deposit any fees received for such jury service with the Contractor or that the Contractor deduct from the Employee's regular pay the fees received for jury service.
- B. For purposes of this Section, "Contractor" means a person, partnership, corporation or other entity which has a contract with the County or a subcontract with a County Contractor and has received or will receive an aggregate sum of \$50,000 or more in any 12-month period under one or more County contracts or subcontracts. "Employee" means any California resident who is a full time employee of Contractor. "Full time" means 40 hours or more worked per week, or a lesser number of hours if: 1) the lesser number is a recognized industry standard as determined by the County, or 2) Contractor has a long-standing practice that defines the lesser number of hours as full-time. employees providing short-term, temporary services of 90 days or less within a 12-month period are not considered full-time for purposes of the Jury Service Program. If Contractor uses any subContractor to perform services for the County under the Contract, the subContractor shall also be subject to the provisions of this Section. The provisions of this Section shall be inserted into any such subcontract Contract and a copy of the Jury Service Program shall be attached to the Contract.
- C. If the Contractor is not required to comply with the Jury Service Program when the Contract commences, Contractor shall have a continuing obligation to review the applicability of its "exception status" from the Jury Service Program, and Contractor shall immediately notify County if Contractor at any time either comes within the Jury Service Program's definition of "Contractor" or if Contractor no longer qualifies for an exception to the Program. In either event, Contractor shall

immediately implement a written policy consistent with the Jury Service Program. The County may also require, at any time during the Contract and at its sole discretion, that Contractor demonstrate to the County's satisfaction that Contractor either continues to remain outside of the Jury Service Program's definition of "Contractor" and/or that Contractor continues to qualify for an exception to the Program.

D. The Contractor's violation of this Section of the contract may constitute a material breach of the Contract. In the event of such material breach, County may, in its sole discretion, terminate the Contract and/or bar Contractor from the award of future County contracts for a period of time consistent with the seriousness of the breach.

#### 33. ACCESS AND RETENTION OF RECORDS

The Contractor shall provide access to the Housing Authority, the Federal Grantor agency, the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their duly authorized representatives to any books, documents, papers and records of the Contractor which are directly pertinent to this Contract for the purpose of making audits, examinations, excerpts and transcriptions.

The Contractor is required to retain the aforementioned records for a period of five years after the Housing Authority pays final payment and other pending matters are closed under this Contract.

#### 34. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

The Contractor represents, warrants and agrees that to the best of its knowledge, it does not presently have, nor will it acquire during the term of this Contract, any interest direct or indirect, by contract, employment or otherwise, or as a partner, joint venture or shareholder (other than as a shareholder holding a one (1%) percent or less interest in publicly traded companies) or affiliate with any business or business entity that has entered into any contract, subcontract or arrangement with the Housing Authority. Upon execution of this Contract and during its term, as appropriate, the Contractor shall, disclose in writing to the Housing Authority any other contract or employment during the term of this Contract by any other persons, business or corporation in which employment will or may likely develop a conflict of interest between the Housing Authority's interest and the interests of the third parties.

#### 35. SEVERABILITY

In the event that any provision herein is held to be invalid, void, or illegal by any court of competent jurisdiction, the same shall be deemed severable from the remainder of this Agreement and shall in no way affect, impair or invalidate any other provision contained herein. If any such provision shall be deemed invalid due

to its scope or breadth, such provision shall be deemed valid to the extent of the scope or breadth permitted by law.

#### 36. INTERPRETATION

No provision of this Contract is to be interpreted for or against either party because that party or that party's legal representative drafted such provision, but this Contract is to be construed as if drafted by both parties hereto.

#### 37. WAIVER

No breach of any provision hereof can be waived unless in writing. Waiver of any one breach of any provision shall not be deemed to be a waiver of any breach of the same or any other provision hereof.

#### 38. PATENT RIGHTS

The Housing Authority will hold all the patent rights with respect to any discovery or invention, which arises or is developed in the course of, or under this Contract.

#### 39. COPYRIGHT

No report, maps, or other documents produced in whole or in part under this Contract shall be the subject of an application for copyright by or on behalf of the Contractor. All such documents become the property of the Housing Authority and the Housing Authority holds all the rights to said data.

#### 40. NOTICES

The Housing Authority shall provide the Contractor with notice of any injury or damage arising from or connected with services rendered pursuant to this Contract to the extent that Housing Authority has actual knowledge of such injury or damage. Housing Authority shall provide such notice within ten (10) days of receiving actual knowledge of such injury or damage.

Notices provided for in this Contract shall be in writing and shall be addressed to the person intended to receive the same, at the following address:

The Housing Authority: Terry Gonzalez, Director

Community Development Block Grant Division

Community Development Housing Authority of the County of

Los Angeles 2 Coral Circle

Monterey Park, CA 91755

The Contractor: (Contractor contact person)

Notices addressed as above provided shall be deemed delivered three (3) business days after mailed by U.S. Mail or when delivered in person with written acknowledgement of the receipt thereof. The Contractor and the Housing Authority may designate a different address or addresses for notices to be sent by giving written notice of such change of address to all other parties entitled to receive notice.

## 41. NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES REGARDING THE SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY LAW

The Contractor shall notify and provide to its employees, and shall require each subContractor to notify and provide to its employees, a fact sheet regarding the Safely Surrendered Baby Law, its implementation in Los Angeles County, and where and how to safely surrender a baby. The fact sheet is set forth in *Attachment D – Required Contract Notices* of this Contract and is also available on the Internet at www.babysafela.org for printing purposes.

## 42. <u>CONTRACTOR'S ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF HOUSING AUTHORITY'S COMMITMENT TO THE SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY LAW</u>

The Contractor acknowledges that the Housing Authority places a high priority on the implementation of the Safely Surrendered Baby Law. The Contractor understands that it is the Housing Authority's policy to encourage all Housing Authority Contractors to voluntarily post the Housing Authority's "Safely Surrendered Baby Law" poster in a prominent position at the Contractor's place of business. The Contractor will also encourage its subContractors, if any, to post this poster in a prominent position in the subContractor's place of business. The Department of Children and Family Services of the County of Los Angeles will supply the Contractor with the poster to be used.

#### 43. CONTRACTOR'S CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS COMPLIANCE

The Supervision of Trustees and Fundraisers for Charitable Purposes Act regulates entities receiving or raising charitable contributions. The "Nonprofit Integrity Act of 2004" (SB 1262, Chapter 919) increased Charitable Purposes Act requirements. By requiring Contractors to complete the Charitable Contributions Certification as included in *Attachment C – Required Contract Forms*, the Housing Authority seeks to ensure that all Housing Authority Contractors that receive or raise charitable contributions comply with California law in order to protect the Housing Authority and its taxpayers. A Contractor that receives or raises charitable contributions without complying with its obligations under California law commits a material breach subjecting it to either contract termination or debarment proceedings, or both.

## 44. <u>CONTRACTOR'S WARRANTY OF COMPLIANCE WITH COUNTY'S DEFAULTED</u> PROPERTY TAX REDUCTION PROGRAM

The Contractor acknowledges that the Housing Authority has established a goal of ensuring that all individuals and businesses that benefit financially from the Housing Authority through contract are current in paying their property tax obligations (secured and unsecured roll) in order to mitigate the economic burden otherwise imposed upon the County and its taxpayers. Unless the Contractor qualifies for an exemption or exclusion, the Contractor warrants and certifies that to the best of its knowledge it is now in compliance, and during the term of this Contract will maintain compliance, with the County's Defaulted Tax Program pursuant to Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.206.

## 45. TERMINATION FOR BREACH OF WARRANTY TO MAINTAIN COMPLIANCE WITH COUNTY'S DEFAULTED PROPERTY TAX REDUCTION PROGRAM

Failure of the Contractor to maintain compliance with the requirements set forth in Paragraph "CONTRACTOR'S WARRANTY OF COMPLIANCE WITH County's DEFAULTED PROPERTY TAX REDUCTION PROGRAM" shall constitute default under this Contract. Without limiting the rights and remedies available to the Housing Authority under any other provision of this Contract, failure of the Contractor to cure such default within 10 days of notice shall be grounds upon which Housing Authority may terminate this contract and/or pursue debarment of the Contractor, pursuant to County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program pursuant to Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.206.

#### **46. ENTIRE CONTRACT**

This Contract with Attachments A through D constitutes the entire understanding and Contract of the parties. This Contract includes the following attachments:

- A. Statement of Work
- B. Fee Schedule
- C. Required Contract Forms
- D. Required Contract Notices

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#### **SIGNATURES**

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Housing Authority and the Contractor, through their duly authorized officers, have executed this Contract as of the date first above written.

Deputy	Director		
By	By		
APPROVED AS TO FORM: ANDREA SHERIDAN ORDIN County Counsel	APPROVED AS TO PROGRAM: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANT DIVISION	BLOCK	
By Sean Rogan Executive Director	By		
HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES	RINCON CONSULTANTS, INC.		

## ATTACHMENT A STATEMENT OF WORK

## APPENDIX B STATEMENT OF WORK

#### 1.0 SCOPE OF WORK

The Community Development Commission/Housing Authority of the County of Los Angeles (hereinafter, Commission/Housing Authority) is the County's affordable housing and community development agency. The Commission/Housing Authority help strengthen neighborhoods, empower families, support local economies, and promote individual achievement. The Commission/Housing Authority maintain many administrative buildings and 72 housing developments that include over 3,600 residential units within the County of Los Angeles.

The Commission/Housing Authority are seeking an environmental services Contractor to provide environmental services for projects under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) environmental rules and regulations specified in 24 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 58, for the County of Los Angeles Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME), and other federally and locally funded programs.

#### 2.0 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

- 2.1 The Contractor shall have five (5) years experience, within the last ten (10) years, providing Environmental Documents Preparation and Technical Assistance Services or services equivalent or similar to the services.
- 2.2 The Contractor shall have a Planning/Project Manager/Supervisor assigned to the Contract with five (5) years of experience, within the last ten (10) years, overseeing the coordination and development of environmental documents, studies, and other work for client agencies.
- 2.3 The Contractor shall provide lead personnel that can communicate in English.

#### 3.0 SPECIFIC WORK REQUIREMENTS

#### 3.1 <u>Environmental Document Preparation</u>

The following is a discussion of the types of environmental documents that will be required. If required, the Contractor shall also prepare other environmental documents or studies that are necessary to complete environmental reviews.

**3.1.1** The Contractor shall provide the following estimated number of documents, if required:

•	Exempt Activity/Statutory Exemption	30
•	Statutory Worksheet/Notice of Exemption	75
•	Initial Study/Notice of Determination/Negative Declaration	20
•	Environmental Assessment/Finding of No Significant	
	Impact (FONSI)	20
•	Amended Environmental Assessment/FONSI	20
•	Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental	
	Impact Report	5

#### 3.1.2 Phase I/II Environmental Site Assessment

- If requested, the Contractor shall provide up to ten (10) Environmental Site Assessments (Phase I ESA) conforming to the American Society of Testing and Materials (ASTM) E-1527-05 standard. The purpose of the Phase I ESA is to determine the existence of any possible environmental hazards or liabilities that may exist at a proposed project site. This determination is generally established by conducting a survey that includes the identification of current, as well as, historic land uses; a review of governmental and public records; and a site reconnaissance of the area.
- If requested, the Contractor shall provide asbestos, lead-based paint, and radon surveys.
- In some cases, the results of the Phase I ESA will determine if an Environmental Assessment and a Phase II ESA will be required. If requested, the Contractor shall also conduct up to ten (10) Phase II ESAs conforming to the ASTM E-1903 standard.

#### 3.1.3 Historical Reviews

The Contractor shall determine what impact Public Agency-funded projects will have on historically significant structures and properties as specified in the regulations of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, 36 CFR Part 800 and in accordance with the provisions of the Programmatic Agreement (PA) among the Public Agencies, the California State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO), and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (Advisory Council), dated August 24, 1999. The following is an estimate of the types of reviews that may be required during each contract year:

•	Determination of Historic Significance (Residential,	
	Commercial, and Industrial Structures)	1,300
•	Area of Potential Effect	60
•	Archaeological Record Search	60
•	Phase I Archaeological Survey of Cultural Resources	20

The Contractor shall apply the National Register Criteria (36 CFR Part 63) to identify those properties that may be considered eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. The Contractor shall coordinate with the South Central Coastal Information Center at California State University, Fullerton for completion of Archaeological Record Searches, and conduct follow-up and completion for any recommendations for Phase I Archaeological Surveys.

Properties deemed to be eligible for inclusion in the National Register and Area of Potential Effect studies, as well as archaeological surveys, shall be reviewed in accordance with the provisions of the Public Agencies' PA, and may be submitted to the State Historic Preservation Office for review and concurrence.

#### 3.1.4 Slum/Blight Reviews

If required, the Contractor shall complete up to five (5) slum/blight designation surveys in the unincorporated areas of the County. The surveys will establish whether, in the given service area, there are a substantial number of structures and/or public improvements that are deteriorated and/or deteriorating.

#### 3.1.5 Technical Assistance

The Contractor shall be required to provide approximately 300 hours of technical assistance to Public Agencies' staff on environmental issues and regulatory requirements. This work will be billed on a time and materials basis. Examples of information to be provided under this section include, but are not limited to, work required for compliance with the federal laws and authorities specified in 24 CFR Parts 58.5 and 58.6, and assessment of project specific reviews for activities under an Environmental Impact Statement/Report.

In addition, the Contractor shall be required to provide technical assistance on energy efficiency/green technology issues related to requirements under the Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006(AB 32), SB 97, the Los Angeles County Green Building Ordinances, and other local, state, and federal requirements.

#### 4.0 RESPONSIBILITIES

The Commission/Housing Authority and the Contractor's responsibilities are as follows:

#### **Commission/Housing Authority**

#### 4.1 Personnel

**4.1.1** The Commission/Housing Authority shall monitor the Contractor's performance in the daily operation of this Contract.

- **4.1.2** The Commission/Housing Authority shall provide direction to the Contractor in areas relating to policy, information, and procedural requirements.
- **4.1.3** The Commission/Housing Authority shall prepare amendments to the Contract in accordance with the Contract.

#### Contractor

#### 4.2 Project Manager

- **4.2.1** The Contractor shall provide a full-time Project Manager with five (5) years of experience in managing projects of similar size and scope as contained in this Statement of Work.
- 4.2.2 The Contractor's Project Manager shall act as a central point of contact with the Commission/Housing Authority, and shall have full authority to act for the Contractor on all matters relating to the daily operation of the Contract.
- 4.2.3 The Contractor shall provide a telephone number where the Project Manager may be reached on a twenty-four (24) hour per day basis. The Project Manager must be available during all hours, 365 days per year.
- **4.2.4** The Contractor's Project Manager shall be able to effectively communicate, in English, both orally and in writing.

#### 4.3 Personnel

The Contractor shall assign a sufficient number of employees to perform the required work. At least one (1) employee onsite shall be authorized to act for the Contractor in every detail and must be able to communicate effectively.

#### 4.4 Materials and Equipment

The Contractor is responsible for the purchase of all materials/equipment to provide the needed services. The Contractor shall use materials and equipment that are safe for the environment and safe for use by the Contractor's employee.

#### 4.5 Training

The Contractor shall provide training programs for all new employees and continuing in-service training for all employees. All employees shall be trained in their assigned tasks and in the safe handling of equipment. All equipment shall be checked daily for safety. All employees must wear safety and protective gear according to Cal-OSHA standards.

#### 5.0 HOURS/DAYS OF WORK

Commission/Housing Authority office hours are from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Commission/Housing Authority offices are closed on the following Holidays:

- New Years Day
- Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday
- Presidents Day
- Memorial Day
- Independence Day
- Labor Day
- Columbus Day
- Veteran's Day
- Thanksgiving Day
- Day After Thanksgiving
- Christmas Day

#### 6.0 QUALITY CONTROL PLAN

The Contractor shall establish and utilize a comprehensive Quality Control Plan to assure the Commission/Housing Authority a consistently high level of service throughout the term of the Contract. The Quality Control Plan shall be submitted to the Commission/Housing Authority for review. The Quality Control Plan shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

- Method of monitoring to ensure that Contract requirements are being met;
- · A record of all inspections conducted by the Contractor; and
  - any corrective action taken
  - > the time a problem was first identified
  - > a clear description of the problem
  - > the time elapsed between identification and completed corrective action
- The record shall be provided to the Commission/Housing Authority upon request.

#### 7.0 QUALITY ASSURANCE PLAN

- 7.1 The Commission/Housing Authority will evaluate the Contractor's performance under this Contract using the following quality assurance standards:
  - ASTM E-1527-05 standard Phase I Environmental Assessments
  - ASTM E-1903 standard Phase II Environmental Assessments
  - 24 CFR §570.208(b) Slum/Blight Designation Reviews
  - 36 CFR Part 800 and in accordance with the provisions of the Programmatic Agreement (PA) among the Commission/Housing Authority, the California SHPO, and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (Advisory Council), dated August 24, 1999 and 36 CFR Part 63 - Historic Preservation Reviews

- 7.2 When the Contractor's performance does not conform to the requirements of this Contract, the Commission/Housing Authority will have the option to apply the following non-performance remedies:
  - Require the Contractor to implement a formal corrective action plan, subject to approval by the Commission/Housing Authority. In the plan, the Contractor must include reasons for the unacceptable performance, specific steps to return performance to an acceptable level, and monitoring methods to prevent recurrence.
  - Reduce, suspend, or cancel this Contract for systematic, deliberate misrepresentations, or unacceptable levels of performance.

This section does not preclude the Commission's/Housing Authority's right to terminate the contract upon thirty (30) days written notice with or without cause, as provided for in the Contract, Section 13 - Termination for Convenience.

#### 7.3 Periodic Performance Reviews

The Commission/Housing Authority will conduct periodic reviews to evaluate the Contractor's performance.

#### 7.4 Contract Deficiency Notice

The Commission/Housing Authority will make verbal notification to the Contractor of a Contract deficiency as soon as the deficiency is identified. The problem should be resolved within a time period mutually agreed upon by the Commission/Housing Authority and the Contractor.

If resolution of the deficiency does not result from the verbal notification, the Commission/Housing Authority will determine whether a formal Contract Deficiency Notice shall be issued. Upon receipt of this document, the Contractor is required to respond in writing to the Commission/Housing Authority within five (5) workdays, acknowledging the reported deficiencies or presenting contrary evidence. A plan for correction of all deficiencies identified in the Contract Discrepancy Report shall be submitted to the Commission/Housing Authority within ten (10) workdays.

#### 7.5 Commission/Housing Authority Observations

In addition to divisional contracting staff, other Commission/Housing Authority personnel may observe performance, activities, and review documents relevant to this Contract at any time during normal business hours. However, these personnel may not unreasonably interfere with the Contractor's performance.

#### 8.0 ADDITION/DELETION OF SERVICES

The Commission/Housing Authority reserves the right to add or delete services during the term of the Contract. The Contractor's fees will be adjusted by negotiation between the Commission/Housing Authority and the Contractor.

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# ATTACHMENT B FEE SCHEDULE

# ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTING SERVICES FEE SCHEDULE

For each position indicate the fully burdened hourly rate. Planning/Project Manager -The planning/project manager will be the point of contact between the CDC/Housing Authority and is responsible for managing the progress of all work under the Environmental Services contract. \$95/hour Environmental Planner -Prepares Environmental Assessment, Initial Study, Environmental Impact Report and Environmental Impact Statement documents. \$95/hour Phase I/II Analyst -Prepares and reviews Phase I/II documents. This position must be filled by a Registered Environmental Assessor II, Professional Engineer, or Registered Geologist. \$95/hour Historic Consultant -Conducts historic reviews of properties in compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. \$95/hour Archeological Consultant -Conducts archeological reviews of properties in compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. Technical Assistance \$95/hour Administrative Support -Word processing, graphics ,etc. Define below. Graphics \$65/hour Admin/Clerical \$45/hour

#### PER DOCUMENT COST/TIME FRAMES FOR MODEL ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEWS/SAMPLE WORK PRODUCT

MODEL ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW/SAMPLE WORK PRODUCT DOCUMENT PREPARATION	TOTAL TIME TO COMPLETE AND DELIVER TO THE COMMISSION	PER DOCUMENT COST (\$)
1. Exempt Activity (24 CFR 58.34)	1 Day	\$50
2. Categorical Exclusion (24 CFR 58.35)	1 Day	\$200
3. Environmental Assessment (24 CFR 58.36) (total cost should include a) and b) below) a) Area of Potential Effect b) Archaeological Survey	15 Working Days	\$1,350 plus cost of a) \$760 b) \$760
4. Determination of Historic Significance (36 CFR 800.4)	5 Working Days	\$570
SUBTOTAL		\$3,690
TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE 300 hrs (labor only) @ \$ / hr	As Needed	\$28,500 (at \$95/hour)
TOTAL ESTIMATED COST		\$32,190

Indicate hours and rates for professional staff, word processing staff, computer-aided design and drafting staff, and other staff as appropriate, as well as associated expenses such as mileage, film, postage, etc.

# ATTACHMENT C REQUIRED CONTRACT FORMS

# COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEE JURY SERVICE PROGRAM APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION AND CERTIFICATION FORM

The Community Development Commission's (Commission) solicitation for this contract/purchase order (Request for Proposal or Invitation for Bid) is subject to the Commission's Contractor Employee Jury Service Program (Program). <u>All bidders or proposers</u>, whether a contractor or subcontractor, must complete this form to either 1) request an exemption from the <u>Program requirements or 2) certify compliance</u>. Upon review of the submitted form, the Commission will determine, in its sole discretion, whether the bidder or proposer is exempted from the Program.

Company Name: Rincon Consultants, Inc.		
Company Address: 790 East Santa Clara Street		
City: Ventura	State: CA	Zip Code: 93001
Telephone Number: 805-641-1000		
Solicitation For (Type of Goods or Services): Environmental	Consulting Services	

If you believe the Jury Service Program does not apply to your business, check the appropriate box in Part I (attach documentation to support your claim); or, complete Part II to certify compliance with the Program. Whether you complete Part I or Part II, please sign and date this form below.

#### Part I: Jury Service Program Is Not Applicable to My Business

- My business does not meet the definition of "contractor," as defined in the Program as it has not received an aggregate sum of \$50,000 or more in any 12-month period under one or more Commission contracts or subcontracts (this exemption is not available if the contract/purchase order itself exceeds \$50,000). I understand that the exemption will be lost and I must comply with the Program if my revenues from the Commission will exceed an aggregate sum of \$50,000 in any 12-month period.
  - My business is a small business as defined in the Program. It 1) has ten or fewer employees; <u>and</u>, 2) has annual gross revenues in the preceding twelve months which, if added to the annual amount of this contract, is . \$500,000 or less; <u>and</u>, 3) is not an affiliate or subsidiary of a business dominant in its field of operation, as defined below. I understand that the exemption will be lost and I must comply with the Program if the number of employees in my business and my gross annual revenues exceed the above limits.
  - "Dominant in its field of operation" means having more than ten employees, including full-time and part-time employees, and annual gross revenues in the preceding twelve months, which, if added to the annual amount of the contract awarded, exceed \$500,000.
  - "Affiliate or subsidiary of a business dominant in its field of operation" means a business which is at least 20 percent owned by a business dominant in its field of operation, or by partners, officers, directors, majority stockholders, or their equivalent, of a business dominant in that field of operation.
- My business is subject to a Collective Bargaining Agreement (attach agreement) that expressly provides that it supersedes all provisions of the Program.

#### OR

#### Part II - Certification of Compliance

My business <u>has</u> and adheres to a written policy that provides, on an annual basis, no less than five days of regular pay for actual jury service for full-time employees of the business who are also California residents, **or** my company will have and adhere to such a policy prior to award of the contract.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information stated above is true and correct.

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Print Name: Stephen Svete, AICP	Title: President
Signature:	Date: April 22, 2010

## ATTESTATION OF WILLINGNESS TO CONSIDER GAIN/GROW PARTICIPANTS

As a threshold requirement for consideration for contract award, Bidder/Proposer shall demonstrate a proven record for hiring GAIN/GROW participants or shall attest to a willingness to consider GAIN/GROW participants for any future employment opening if they meet the minimum qualifications for that opening. Additionally, Bidder/Proposer shall attest to a willingness to provide employed GAIN/GROW participants access to the Bidder/Proposer's employee mentoring program, if available, to assist these individuals in obtaining permanent employment and/or promotional opportunities.

Bidders/Proposers unable to meet this requirement shall not be considered for contract award.

Bidder/Proposer shall complete all of the following information, sign where indicated below, and return this form with their proposal.

A.	Bidder/Proposer has a proven record of hiring GAIN/GROW participants.		
	YES (subject to verification by Commission/Housing Authority)xNO		
В.	Bidder/Proposer is willing to consider GAIN/GROW participants for any future employment openings if the GAIN/GROW participant meets the minimum qualifications for the opening. "Consider" means that Bidder/Proposer is willing to interview qualified GAIN/GROW participants.		
	YESXNO		
C.	Bidder/Proposer is willing to provide employed GAIN/GROW participants access to its employee-mentoring program, if available.		
	YESNOx _N/A (Program not available)		
Bid	dder/Proposer Organization: Rincop Consultants, Inc.		
Sig	gnature:		
Pri	nt Name: Stephen Svete, AICP		
Titl	e: President Date: April 22,2010		
Tel	[#: 805-641-1000 Fax #· 805-641-1072		



#### **CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS CERTIFICATION**

Rincon Consultants, Inc.		
Company Name		
790 East Santa Clara Street, Ventura, CA 93001		
Address		<del></del>
77-0390093		
Internal Revenue Service Employer Identification Number		
California Registry of Charitable Trusts "CT" number (if applicable)		
The Nonprofit Integrity Act (SB 1262, Chapter 919) added requirements to C Supervision of Trustees and Fundraisers for Charitable Purposes Act, which those receiving and raising charitable contributions.	aliforni regula	ia's ites
CERTIFICATION	YES	NO
Proposer or Contractor has examined its activities and determined that it does not now receive or raise charitable contributions regulated under California's Supervision of Trustees and Fundraisers for Charitable Purposes Act. If Proposer engages in activities subjecting it to those laws during the term of a Community Development Commission (CDC) and/or Housing Authority contract, it will timely comply with them and provide the CDC and/or Housing Authority a copy of its initial registration with the California State Attorney General's Registry of Charitable Trusts when filed.	( x )	( )
OR .		
	YES	NO
Proposer of Contractor is registered with the California Registry of Charitable Trusts under the CT number listed above and is in compliance with its registration and reporting requirements under California law. Attached is a copy of its most recent filing with the Registry of Charitable Trusts as required by Title 11 California Code of Regulations, sections 300-301 and Government Code sections 12585-12586.	( )	( )
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April	22, 2	010
Signature Date		<del></del>
Stephen Svete, AICP - President		
Name and Title (please type or print)		

## CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE COUNTY'S DEFAULTED PROPERTY TAX REDUCTION PROGRAM

Company Name: Rincon Consultants,	Inc.
Company Address: 790 E. Santa Clara	Street
City: Ventura	State: CA Zip Code: 93001
Telephone Number: 805-641-1000	Email address:info@rinconconsultants.co
Solicitation/Contract For Environmental	

The Proposer/Bidder/Contractor certifies that:

It is familiar with the terms of the County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program, Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.206; AND

To the best of its knowledge, after a reasonable inquiry, the Proposer/Bidder/Contractor is not in default, as that term is defined in Los Angeles County Code Section 2.206.020.E, on any Los Angeles County property tax obligation; **AND** 

The Proposer/Bidder/Contractor agrees to comply with the County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program during the term of any awarded contract.

- OR -

- I am exempt from the County of Los Angeles Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program, pursuant to Los Angeles County Code Section 2.206.060. The following exemption applies to my contract:
  - Mandated by federal or state law or a condition of federal or state program;
  - The purchase is made through a state or federal contract;
  - The purchase is made for equipment or supplies for, or by the National Association of Counties,, U.S. Communities Government Purchasing Alliance, or other similar related group purchasing organization;
  - Sole source provider with exclusive and proprietary rights to services or goods;
  - Emergency services provider for services or goods;
  - Provide mission critical goods and/or services and is determined to be exempt by the Board of Commissioners;
  - Required to comply with the laws of the United Sates or California, which are inconsistent with this program.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information stated above is true and correct.

Print Name: Stephen Svete, FICP	Title:	President
Signature:	Date:	April 22, 2010
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Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program Certification

December 21, 2009

#### **EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY CERTIFICATION**

	Rincon Consultants, Inc.
	Vendor's Name
	790 E. Santa Clara Street
	Ventura, CA 93001
	Address
	77-0390093
	Internal Revenue Service Employer Identification Number
	<u>GENERAL</u>
subsi regar comp Califo subco contra	Contractor certifies and agrees that all persons employed by such firm, its affiliates, diaries, or holding companies are and will be treated equally by the firm without d to or because of race, religion, ancestry, national origin, or sex and in cliance with all anti-discrimination laws of the United States of America, the State of ornia, and all local ordinances. The Contractor further certifies that all contractors, suppliers, vendors and distributors with whom the Contractor has a actual relationship are also in compliance with all applicable federal, state and local discriminatory laws.
	VENDOR'S CERTIFICATION
1.	The vendor has a written policy statement prohibiting discrimination in all phases of employment.
2.	The vendor periodically conducts a self-analysis or utilization analysis of its work force.
3.	The vendor has a system for determining if its employment practices are discriminatory against protected groups.
4.	Where problem areas are identified in employment practices, the vendor has a system for taking reasonable corrective action, to include establishment of goals of timetables.

**Authorized Official:** 

4.

Name: Stephen Svete, AICP	me: Stephen Svete, AICP Title: Preside	
Signature:		Date: April 22, 2010

### FEDERAL LOBBYIST REQUIREMENTS CERTIFICATION

Name of Firm: Rincon Consultants, Inc. Date: April 22, 2010
Address: 790 East Santa Clara Street
State: CA Zip Code: 93001 Phone No. : 805-641-1000
Acting on behalf of the above named firm, as its Authorized Official, I make the following Certification to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and the Community Development Commission, County of Los Angeles:
No Federal appropriated funds have been paid, by or on behalf of the above named firm to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of and Federal grant, loan or cooperative agreement, and any extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification thereof, and;
If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee or any agency, a Member of Congress an officer or employee of Congress or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant loan, or cooperative agreement, the above named firm shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying", in accordance with its instructions, and:
The above name firm shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all sub-awards at all tiers (including subcontracts, sub-grants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreement) and that all sub-recipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.
This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into the transaction imposed by Section 1352 Title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.
Authorized Official:
lame: Stephen Svete, AICP Title: President
Signature: Date: April 22, 2010

# ATTACHMENT D REQUIRED CONTRACT NOTICES

#### BACKGROUND AND RESOURCES: CALIFORNIA CHARITIES REGULATION

There is a keen public interest in preventing misuse of charitable contributions. California's "Supervision of Trustees and Fundraisers for Charitable Purposes Act" regulates those raising and receiving charitable contributions. The "Nonprofit Integrity Act of 2004" (SB 1262, Chapter 919) tightened Charitable Purposes Act requirements for charitable organization administration and fundraising.

The Charitable Purposes Act rules cover California public benefit corporations, unincorporated associations, and trustee entities. They may include similar foreign corporations doing business or holding property in California. Generally, an organization is subject to the registration and reporting requirements of the Charitable Purposes Act if it is a California nonprofit public benefit corporation or is tax exempt under Internal Revenue Code § 501(c)(3), and not exempt from reporting under Government Code § 12583. Most educational institutions, hospitals, cemeteries, and religious organizations are exempt from Supervision of Trustees Act requirements.

Key new Charitable Purposes Act requirements affect executive compensation, fundraising practices and documentation. Charities with over \$2 million of revenues (excluding grants and service-contract funds a governmental entity requires to be accounted for) have new audit requirements. Charities required to have audits must also establish an audit committee whose members have no material financial interest in any entity doing business with the charity.

Organizations or persons that receive or raise charitable contributions are likely to be subject to the Charitable Purposes Act. A bidder/proposer on Commission and/or Housing Authority contracts must determine if it is subject to the Charitable Purposes Act and certify either that:

- It is not presently subject to the Act, but will comply if later activities make it subject, or,
- If subject, it is currently in compliance.

#### **RESOURCES**

The following resource references are offered to assist bidders/proposers who engage in charitable contributions activities, however, each bidder/proposer is responsible to research and determine its own legal obligations and properly complete the Charitable Contributions Certification form.

In California, supervision of charities is the responsibility of the Attorney General, whose website, <a href="http://caag.state.ca.us/">http://caag.state.ca.us/</a>, contains much information helpful to regulated charitable organizations.

#### 1. LAWS AFFECTING NONPROFITS

The "Supervision of Trustees and Fundraisers for Charitable Purposes Act" is found at California Government Code §§ 12580 through 12599.7. Implementing regulations are found at Title 11, California Code of Regulations, §§ 300 through 312. In California, charitable solicitations ("advertising") are governed by Business & Professions Code §§ 17510 through 17510.95. Regulation of nonprofit corporations is found at Title 11, California Code of Regulations, §§ 999.1 through 999.5. (Amended regulations are pending.) Links to all of these rules are at: <a href="http://caag.state.ca.us/charities/statutes.htm">http://caag.state.ca.us/charities/statutes.htm</a>.

#### 2. SUPPORT FOR NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

Several organizations offer both complimentary and fee-based assistance to nonprofits, including in Los Angeles, the *Center for Nonprofit Management*, 606 S. Olive St #2450, Los Angeles, CA 90014 (213) 623-7080 <a href="http://www.cnmsocal.org/">http://www.cnmsocal.org/</a>, and statewide, the *California Association of Nonprofits*, <a href="http://www.canonprofits.org/">http://www.canonprofits.org/</a>. Both organizations' websites offer information about how to establish and manage a charitable organization.

The above information, including the organizations listed, is for informational purposes only. Nothing contained in this sub-section shall be construed as an endorsement by the Commission of such organizations.

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Departamento de Servicios Sociales (Department of Social Services) Rita Saenz, Directora



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